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DOUBLE-STRANDED DNA MOLECULES AND METHODS OF USE
THEREOF

RESPONSE

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Sir:

This responds to the September 20, 2007 Office Action received from the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified patent application. The response to the Office Action is due by December 20, 2007; thus, this response is timely filed.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this Response;

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 3 of this Response and include an attached replacement sheet.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 4 of this Response;

Remarks begin on page 7 of this Response.

An **Appendix** including the replacement drawing sheet is attached following page 5 of this paper.